

## Workforce Observations — Wisconsin's Fox Valley

CALUMET, FOND DU LAC, GREEN LAKE, OUTAGAMIE, WAUSHARA, WAUPACA, WINNEBAGO

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## April Unadjusted Unemployment Rates Decline in Wisconsin's Fox Valley Area

	Wisconsin	Fox Valley V	Vorkforce	Develop	ment Area	Unadjust	ed Labor	Force Data	l	
April 2005	Appleton MSA	Fond du Lac MSA	Oshkosh- Neenah MSA	Calumet	Green Lake	Outagamie	Waupaca	Waushara	Fox Valley WDA	Non MSA's
Civilian Labor Force**	126,400	57,200	95,500	26,500	11,400	99,900	30,500	12,500	333,500	111,600
Employed	121,000	54,700	91,300	25,500	10,800	95,500	29,000	11,900	318,600	106,300
Unemployed	5,400	2,500	4,200	1,000	600	4,400	1,500	600	14,900	5,300
Unemployment Rate	4.3%	4.4%	4.4%	3.9%	5.4%	4.4%	5.1%	5.1%	4.5%	4.8%
Change from one month	n ago	M arch 2	2005							
Civilian Labor Force**	-200	0	300	100	200	-200	400	0	700	600
Employed	500	400	500	100	300	400	600	200	2,600	1,600
Unemployed	-700	-400	-200	0	-200	-600	-200	-200	-1,900	-1,000
Unemployment rate(%)	-0.5%	-0.7%	-0.3%	-0.1%	-1.8%	-0.6%	-0.7%	-1.6%	-0.6%	-0.9%
Change from one year a	go	April 20	004							
Civilian Labor Force**	0	700	1,100	100	-100	-100	0	300	2,000	900
Employed	300	800	1,200	100	0	200	-100	400	2,500	1,000
Unemployed	-300	-100	-200	0	0	-300	100	-100	-500	-100
Unemployment rate(%)	-0.2%	-0.2%	-0.3%	0.1%	-0.2%	-0.2%	0.3%	-0.8%	-0.2%	-0.1%

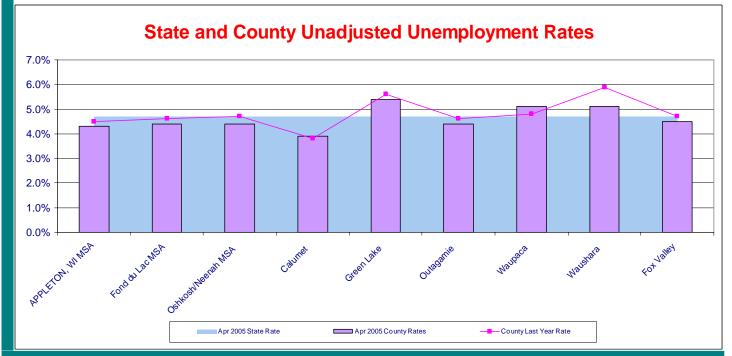
he unadjusted unemployment rate for the seven county Fox Valley Workforce Delivery Area declined 0.6 of a percentage point to 4.5 percent in April. The monthly rate was 0.2. of a percentage point below one year ago. Typically the unemployment rate begins to decline in March, and continues to decline throughout the summer months into fall, with possibly the month of June being the exception.

The decline in the monthly rate was consistent with the average change (1990—2004) of 0.7 percent. The rate for the month was the lowest level for the month of April

since 2000, when the rate was 2.6 percent. All seven counties in the region had a decrease in their unemployment rates. Waushara County had the largest monthly drop, declining 1.6 of a percentage point to 5.1 percent. Calumet County had the lowest unemployment rate at 3.9 percent, while Green Lake was the highest 5.4 percent.

The number of workers in the area's labor force decreased 700 over the month to 333,500. This was 2,000 above last year. The increase in the over-the-year size of

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Fox Valley Per Ca	ox Valley Per Capita Personal Income by County 1994 to 2003													
Area name	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	% Change 2002- 2003	% of WI in 2003	State Rank 2003	
Wisconsin	\$ 21,413	\$ 22,215	\$ 23,273	\$ 24,514	\$ 26,175	\$ 27,135	\$ 28,573	\$ 29,392	\$ 29,937	\$ 30,685	2.5%	100.0%		
Calumet	\$ 20,940	\$ 22,056	\$ 23,364	\$ 24,395	\$ 26,259	\$ 27,610	\$ 28,664	\$ 29,926	\$ 31,019	\$ 31,880	2.8%	103.9%	6	
Fond du Lac	\$ 21,490	\$ 22,240	\$ 23,207	\$ 24,325	\$ 25,798	\$ 26,354	\$ 27,721	\$ 28,151	\$ 29,121	\$ 29,951	2.9%	97.6%	17	
Green Lake	\$ 19,923	\$ 20,433	\$ 21,658	\$ 23,093	\$ 24,939	\$ 25,236	\$ 25,758	\$ 26,120	\$ 26,085	\$ 26,962	3.4%	87.9%	32	
Outagamie	\$ 22,145	\$ 22,923	\$ 23,900	\$ 24,641	\$ 25,676	\$ 27,243	\$ 29,083	\$ 29,613	\$ 30,072	\$ 30,952	2.9%	100.9%	11	
Waupaca	\$ 19,231	\$ 19,633	\$ 20,643	\$ 21,680	\$ 23,568	\$ 24,251	\$ 24,799	\$ 25,665	\$ 26,275	\$ 26,863	2.2%	87.5%	33	
Waushara	\$ 16,121	\$ 16,421	\$ 17,179	\$ 18,249	\$ 19,218	\$ 19,715	\$ 20,910	\$ 21,508	\$ 21,397	\$ 21,762	1.7%	70.9%	69	
Winnebago	\$ 21,565	\$ 22,527	\$ 23,390	\$ 24,291	\$ 26,034	\$ 26,775	\$ 28,217	\$ 28,957	\$ 29,676	\$ 30,359	2.3%	98.9%	15	
Fox Valley	\$ 21,170	\$ 21,955	\$ 22,924	\$ 23,866	\$ 25,348	\$ 26,311	\$ 27,700	\$ 28,361	\$ 29,011	\$ 29,778	2.6%	97.0%	5	
Percent of Fox Valley PCPI to Wisconsin PCPI	98.9%	98.8%	98.5%	97.4%	96.8%	97.0%	96.9%	96.5%	96.9%	97.0%				

Source: U. S. Dept of Commerce, BEA; May 2005

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the labor force indicates continuing growth in the labor force. This is especially evident as the number employed has increased over the period and the number unemployed has decreased.

The number of workers employed increased 2,600 over the month to 318,600. The net result of the larger number of workers finding employment compared to the number of workers entering the labor force was a decrease of 1,900 unemployed workers to 14,900. The number of employed continued to be above one year ago numbers rising 2,500. The number estimated to be unemployed was down 500 from April 2004. Five of the seven counties in the region had lower unemployment rates this April compared to last year.

Nonfarm wage and salary (NFWS) employment in the region increased 3,200 over the month to 291,900. Over-the-year, the number of jobs in the region increased by 5,900. The service providing industries were up 3,600, while goods producing industries saw an increase of 2,300 jobs over the year. Manufacturing employment, which is a subset of the goods producing industry group was up 1,800 jobs from April 2004.

## **Seasonally Adjusted Unemployment Rates**

As of January, seasonally adjusted data is no longer available for sub-state levels. Statewide and national data will

continue to have seasonally adjusted data.

The seasonally adjusted rate for the State of Wisconsin was down 0.1 of a percentage point to 4.5 percent. The United States' rate was unchanged at 5.4 percent.

## Per Capita Personal Income (PCPI) for 2003

The Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA) released county level Per Capita Personal Income for 2003 during May. The Fox Valley Area as a whole increased at a slightly faster pace than the State of Wisconsin, 2.6 percent verses 2.5 percent for the state. However the average income for residents in the Fox Valley Area was at 97.0 percent of the statewide average.

In general, the more urban areas had higher incomes than the rural area. Only two counties had PCPI higher than the state average, Calumet County was at 103.9 percent of the state average and Outagamie County was at 100.9 percent. Winnebago County was just under the statewide average at 98.9 percent.

For additional information on local Per Capita Income and the sources of the income go the BEA website. http://www.bea.gov/bea/regional/statelocal.htm.

For additional labor market statistics contact our website at: <a href="http://dwd.wisconsin.gov/oea.">http://dwd.wisconsin.gov/oea.</a>

Consumer Pr	Consumer Price Index - All Urban Consumers (CPI-U)*												
National (U. S. City Average.) 1982-84 = 100		%Change	Class B/C - North Central States (1996 = 100)			%Change	Class D - North Central States (1996 = 100)			%Change			
U.S. City Average	Apr-05	Mar-05	Apr-04	(Size 50,000-1,500,000)	Apr-05	Mar-05	Apr-04	(Size Less than 50,000)	Apr-05	Mar-05	Apr-04		
All Items	194.6	193.3	3.5%	All Items	119.6	118.7	2.1%	All Items	181.7	179.9	1.3%		
Food & Beverage	190.7	189.6	3.1%	Food & Beverage	117.4	117.2	1.8%	Food & Beverage	184.9	183.6	3.2%		
Housing	194.4	194.1	3.2%	Housing	116.8	116.3	1.6%	Housing	170.0	168.4	0.4%		
Apparel & Upkeep	123.7	123.5	-0.5%	Apparel & Upkeep	90.7	90.4	-0.4%	Apparel & Upkeep	128.0	128.2	-4.4%		
Transportation	173.2	168.8	7.0%	Trqansportation	124.6	121.6	3.3%	Trqansportation	162.7	158.7	0.5%		
Gasoline (all Types)	192.9	175.0	24.2%	Gasoline (all Types)	198.9	182.9	17.8%	Gasoline (all Types)	181.4	158.4	14.5%		
Medical Care	321.5	320.7	4.3%	Medical Care	140.1	139.9	6.9%	Medical Care	320.4	318.8	5.0%		
Energy	170.9	160.8	17.1%	Energy	165.0	155.4	9.5%	Energy	158.1	147.2	7.5%		

	Appleton	Wisconsin Fox Valley Workforce Development Area Oshkosh								
April 2005	MSA	Fond du Lac	MSA	Green Lake	Waupaca	Waushara	Fox Valley WDA	Wisconsii		
Total Nonfarm (NFWS) ***	115,600	49,200	92,400	7,400	21,100	6,200	291,900	2,810,300		
Total Private	104,000	43,200	79,400	6,400	17,100	4,700	254,700	2,387,700		
Goods Producing	32.700	13,900	26,900	1,900	5,700	1,300	82,500	629,700		
Service Producing	82,900	35,300	65,500	5,500	15,400	4,900	209,500	2,180,600		
Constr., Mining & Nat.Rsrcs	8,700	3,000	3,700	500	900	300	17,000	130,300		
Manufacturing	24,000	10,900	23,200	1,500	4,900	1,000	65,400	499,400		
Trade	19,600	7,700	11,500	1,000	3,000	900	43,600	427,300		
Transportation & Utilities	3,500	1,700	3,400	300	500	300	9,700	108,300		
Financial Activities	6,400	1,800	3,800	300	700	200	13,200	157,700		
Education and Health Services	11,900	6,700	10,400	1,100	2,900	700	33,700	382,900		
Leisure & Hospitality	11,100	4,600	6,500	700	2,000	700	25,600	246,800		
Info., Prof.& Bus. Svcs, Other Svcs	18,800	6,800	16,900	1,100	2,300	600	46,500	435,000		
Total Government	11,600	6,000	13,000	1,000	4,000	1,500	37,200	422,600		
Federal	500	300	500	100	100	100	1,600	29,200		
State	300	600	5,300	0	900	400	7,500	104,800		
Local	10,800	5,100	7,200	1,000	3,000	1,100	28,200	288,600		
Change from one month ago	March 2005									
Total Nonfarm (NFWS) ***	800	400	1,000	300	500	200	3,200	34,200		
Percent change NFWS from last month	0.7%		1.1%		2.5%	2.9%	1.1%	1.29		
Total Private	700	400	900	310	470	170	2,900	33,600		
Goods Producing	300	200	300	80	120	50	1,000	10,300		
Service Producing	500	200	700	240	400	120	2,200	23,900		
Constr., Mining & Nat.Rsrcs	600	200	300	70	90	40	1,300	11,800		
Manufacturing	-300	0	0	0	30	10	-300	-1,500		
Trade	0	100	100	60	70	50	400	5,300		
Transportation & Utilities	100	0	0	20	0	10	100	2,300		
Financial Activities	0	0	0	10	0	10	0	300		
Education and Health Services	0	-200	0	-10	-10	10	-200	-1,100		
Leisure & Hospitality	200	200	200	100	200	0	1,000	10,200		
Info., Prof.& Bus. Svcs, Other Svcs	100	100	300	40	60	10	600	6,300		
Total Government	100	0	100	0	50	0	300	600 100		
Federal State	0	0	-100	0	0	10	-100	700		
Local	100	0	200	0	40	-10	300	-200		
Change from one year ago		0	200	0	40	10	300	200		
Total Nonfarm (NFWS) ***	April 2004 1,300	1,700	2,700	-100	100	200	5,900	26,600		
Percent change NFWS from last year	1.1%		3.0%		0.3%		2.1%	1.0%		
Total Private	1,200	1,800	2,200	60	30	200	5,500	26,700		
Goods Producing	700	700	800	50	-70	130	2,300	6,500		
Service Producing	600	1,000	1,900	-130	140	80	3,600	20,100		
Constr., Mining & Nat.Rsrcs	300	200	0	20	30	20	600	4,400		
Manufacturing	400	500	800	40	-90	110	1,800	2,100		
Trade	600	400	600	-20	70	0	1,700	3,800		
Transportation & Utilities	-100	0	-200	10	0	30	-300	2,400		
Financial Activities	-500	0	-100	10	10	10	-600	100		
Education and Health Services	300	500	300	-10	10	0	1,100	8,100		
Leisure & Hospitality	600	100	100	-20	50	30	900	4,200		
Info., Prof.& Bus. Svcs, Other Svcs	-400	100	700	30	-40	0	400	1,600		
Total Government	100	-100	500	-140	40	10	400	-100		
Federal	0	100	0	-10	0	0	100	-300		
State	0	-100	300	0	10	20	200	1,300		
Local	100	-100	200	-130	30	0	100	-1,100		

Current month estimates are preliminary. Totals may not add due to rounding. Calculations based on unrounded numbers. NFWS data is benchmarked to 3/2002